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To Whom it may concern:

I don't agree.

I don't agree with the DOJ's proposed settlement with Microsoft. As a physician and consumer of computer hardware/software solutions, I have found numerous situations in which the behavior of Microsoft impaired my ability to build cost effective solutions to the need for computerization of my medical practice. While part of the government wants HIPAA compliance miracles, the DOJ apparently believes that criminal behavior in Bellvue, Washington is exempt from punishment. Yes, criminal behavior, as there appears to be no dispute that the antitrust laws were violated. How will the proposed settlement repair that damage i.e. "make me whole". The trivial interventions will not bring back the competitors that would have provided me with a wide range of tools. Nor will it provide the kind of level playing field that would allow new competitors to flourish. Shame upon the lawyers who tout this as good work. If I were to lower my standards of practice to that degree, the DEA would not renew my narcotic license, I would be barred from Medicare and Medicaid practice and the state Board of Medical Examiners would start proceedings to pule my license to practice. Yes, I am angry. I am mad as (deleted).

Sincerely,
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